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This fact sheet is designed to provide the reader with basic raw data concerning various poverty characteristics for the State of South Dakota, for counties and for communities. Data are presented in such a manner as to provide a basis of comparison for all three segments. No attempt is made here to analyze the data. Those wanting more detailed information should refer to: *1970 U. S. Census of Population, PC (1)—C43, South Dakota: General Social and Economic Characteristics.*

**Sampling.** This Census source, which is the most comprehensive compilation available on poverty characteristics, is based on a 15-5 sample utilized by the Census Bureau; whereby, some questions were asked of a 15% population sample and others a 5% population sample. For this reason, readers must utilize this information with a certain amount of caution realizing that total population counts may vary slightly from data collected on an 80% or 100% sample base.

**Comparability.** Each table is divided into two parts. That data to the left of the dividing line in each table is for the total segment, data to the right pertains to characteristics of the poverty stricken within that segment. Care should be taken not to confuse the two sets of data for each segment.

**Poverty Definition.** The poverty statistics presented in this fact sheet are based on a definition by the Social Security Administration and presently used by

most governmental agencies. Such variables as family size, sex of head of household, number of children under 18 and farm and non-farm residence are included. The criteria for eligibility utilized in 1969 and in the following tables is shown in Table 1. The poverty guidelines are calculated on a national basis only. No attempt has been made to adjust these guidelines for regional, state or other local variations in cost of living, except for the farm and non-farm residence differential.

## Definitions

**Urban:** defined as those persons living in communities of 2500 population and over.

**Rural:** defined as those persons residing in communities under 2500 population and on open country farms.

**Rural-Farm:** defined as that segment of the rural population living outside of any community.

**Rural-Nonfarm:** defined as that segment of the rural population residing in communities under 2500 population.

**HH:** Household.

**HHH:** Household Head.

**Mean Income Deficit:** amount of additional annual income necessary to raise the family above the poverty level.

**Families with Income Less than 75% of Poverty Level:** sets forth number of families that fall more than 25% below the maximum for eligibility.

**Families with Income Less than 125% of Poverty Level:** sets forth the number of families falling within and 25% above the poverty level.

**Public Assistance:** includes cash receipt of payments from the following programs: AFDC, OAA, Aid to Blind, Aid to Disabled.

Table 1. Eligibility Criteria for Classification of Poverty 1968

Size of family	Total	NONFARM			FARM		
		Total	Male head	Female head	Total	Male head	Female head
All unrelated individuals	\$1,834	\$1,840	\$1,923	\$1,792	\$1,569	\$1,607	\$1,512
Under 65 years	1,888	1,893	1,974	1,826	1,641	1,678	1,562
65 years & over	1,749	1,757	1,773	1,751	1,498	1,508	1,487
All families	3,388	3,410	3,451	3,082	2,954	2,965	2,757
2 persons	2,364	2,383	2,394	2,320	2,012	2,017	1,931
Head under 65 years	2,441	2,458	2,473	2,373	2,093	2,100	1,984
Head 65 years & over	2,194	2,215	2,217	2,202	1,882	1,883	1,861
3 persons	2,905	2,924	2,937	2,830	2,480	2,485	2,395
4 persons	3,721	3,743	3,745	3,725	3,195	3,197	3,159
5 persons	4,386	4,415	4,418	4,377	3,769	3,770	3,761
6 persons	4,921	4,958	4,962	4,917	4,244	4,245	4,205
7 or more persons	6,034	6,101	6,116	5,952	5,182	5,185	5,129



Table 2. Poverty Data for South Dakota and Major Divisions

Total Characteristics					Poverty Characteristics																	
	Total Families		Mean Family Income	Mean Family Size	Total Number of Households	Families in Poverty		Mean Family Income	Mean Income Deficit	Mean Family Size	Persons in Poverty		Female HHH	Percent of HHH over 65 years	Percent of HHH in Labor Force	Percent of Families Receiving Public Assistance	Families with Income less than 75% of Poverty Level		Families with Income less than 125% of Poverty Level		Families with Children under 18 yrs.	
	No.	%				No.	%				No.	%					No.	%	%	No.	Mean No. in HH	
State Total	161,941	100.0	\$8,795	3.63	135,940	23,887	14.8	\$1,870	\$1,446	3.97	119,543	18.7	4,136	25.1	85.6	12.8	15,112	9.3	34,534	21.3	14,760	3.09
White	156,304	96.5		3.57	131,290	20,958	13.4	1,811	1,358	3.78	102,836	16.9	3,118	26.2	88.0	7.5	12,869	8.2	31,016	19.8	12,220	2.99
Urban Total	69,958	100.0	9,827	3.58	81,777	6,337	9.1	1,957	1,318	3.49	35,332	12.6	2,037	26.6	70.3	18.5	3,786	5.4	9,797	14.0	3,828	2.72
White	68,075	97.2		3.53	79,704	5,594	8.2	1,889	1,225	3.23	30,918	11.5	1,662	29.0	70.8	14.2	3,267	4.8	8,861	13.0	3,135	2.50
Rural Non-farm Total	50,094	100.0	7,924	3.53	51,751	9,127	18.2	2,018	1,426	3.84	44,695	22.9	1,811	37.5	76.1	18.7	5,784	11.5	13,333	26.6	4,937	3.24
White	46,892	93.6		3.41	49,240	7,158	15.3	1,944	1,229	3.42	33,561	19.0	1,199	42.4	79.9	9.3	4,213	9.0	11,027	23.5	3,247	3.08
Rural Farm Total	41,889	100.0	8,113	3.85	2,412	8,423	20.1	1,643	1,564	4.48	39,516	23.8	288	10.6	96.7	2.2	5,542	13.2	11,404	27.2	5,995	3.21
White	41,337	98.6		3.83	2,346	8,206	19.9	1,642	1,560	4.47	38,357	23.5	257	10.3	97.2	1.3	5,389	13.0	11,128	26.9	5,838	3.21

Table 3. Poverty Data for South Dakota Counties

Total Characteristics						Poverty Characteristics															
Counties	Total No. of Families	Mean Family Income	Number of Families with Female HH	Families With P.A. or Welfare	Families in Poverty No. %	Mean Family Income	Mean Income Deficit	Mean Family Size	Persons in Poverty No. %	Female HH	Percent of HH over 65 years	Percent of HH in Labor Force	Percent of Families Receiving Public Assistance	Families with Income less than 75% of Poverty Level No. %	Families with Income less than 125% of Poverty Level No. %	Families with Children under 18 yrs. No. Mean No. in HH					
Aurora	1,009	\$ 6,905	86	20	225 22.3	\$1,845	\$1,486	4.46	1,130 28.4	22	19.0	100.0	Not avail.	126 12.5	337 33.4	152 3.54					
Beadle	5,214	9,667	410	161	533 10.2	1,688	1,597	3.95	2,897 14.2	139	23.5	90.1	9.4	360 6.9	852 16.3	327 3.13					
Bennett	698	9,105	48	83	188 26.9	2,162	1,900	5.65	1,150 37.4	25	8.7	76.6	37.2	126 18.1	236 33.8	151 3.88					
Bon Homme	2,111	7,321	103	48	349 16.5	1,791	1,322	3.72	1,779 22.2	15	24.3	96.2	6.9	225 10.7	571 27.0	193 2.78					
Brookings	4,892	8,916	321	122	659 13.5	1,833	1,239	3.59	3,511 18.3	103	16.0	87.0	9.1	370 7.6	897 18.3	371 2.81					
Brown	8,726	9,619	584	253	921 10.6	1,939	1,272	3.60	5,082 14.4	161	22.5	74.3	11.7	544 6.2	1,403 16.1	498 2.91					
Brule	1,432	8,043	80	31	295 20.6	1,783	1,274	3.71	1,288 22.2	40	22.0	95.7	7.1	138 9.6	415 29.0	185 2.72					
Buffalo	835	7,040	77	88	137 38.8	1,778	2,327	4.91	717 46.9	47	6.0	73.6	51.8	128 36.3	163 46.2	114 3.10					
Butte	2,025	8,682	151	52	276 13.6	1,568	1,455	3.57	1,296 16.4	54	22.8	88.2	6.9	181 8.9	362 16.5	165 2.64					
Campbell	743	10,783	32	24	139 18.7	2,208	1,020	3.71	578 20.2	20	18.0	88.0	13.7	66 8.9	204 27.5	89 2.73					
Charles Mix	2,430	7,273	195	77	675 27.8	1,405	1,667	4.12	3,144 31.8	107	16.3	90.4	8.4	478 19.7	842 34.7	410 3.10					
Clark	1,547	7,323	75	34	252 16.3	2,103	1,017	3.73	1,154 21.2	9	23.7	86.4	8.3	107 6.9	394 25.3	128 3.23					
Clay	2,717	9,145	146	86	329 12.1	1,705	1,305	3.16	1,943 18.1	46	15.2	37.9	1.8	192 7.1	456 16.8	208 1.93					
Codington	4,762	9,323	391	130	434 9.1	1,901	1,135	3.40	2,268 12.0	90	34.2	80.1	10.6	251 5.3	771 16.2	195 3.08					
Corson	1,040	7,033	127	131	337 32.4	2,110	2,001	5.30	1,918 38.4	94	6.5	80.0	27.0	250 24.0	435 41.8	288 3.54					
Custer	1,228	8,931	81	39	169 13.8	1,726	1,472	3.40	746 16.6	14	32.2	80.5	11.2	103 8.4	238 19.4	84 2.77					
Davison	4,209	8,898	391	220	442 10.5	1,948	1,317	3.83	2,517 15.1	73	29.4	81.0	16.3	286 6.8	797 18.9	242 3.50					
Day	2,253	6,700	144	116	516 22.9	2,124	1,164	4.10	2,448 28.8	46	19.5	82.6	6.6	300 13.3	736 32.7	324 3.22					
Deuel	1,507	9,618	78	35	278 18.4	1,724	1,188	3.46	1,187 21.1	12	31.8	89.7	8.3	193 12.8	385 25.5	129 3.04					
Dewey	1,082	Not avail.	91	124	344 31.8	2,040	1,871	5.17	1,955 38.0	43	9.3	89.0	24.7	244 22.6	434 40.1	276 3.59					
Douglas	1,133	6,523	34	39	237 20.9	1,620	1,364	4.11	1,109 24.8	9	16.3	92.0	6.8	142 12.5	375 33.1	131 3.49					
Edmunds	1,416	7,315	98	42	237 16.7	1,819	1,595	4.29	1,157 21.2	20	19.9	90.4	10.1	153 10.8	386 27.3	140 3.76					
Fall River	1,710	8,534	178	55	185 10.8	1,872	1,433	3.62	1,220 17.8	47	27.5	75.0	21.1	111 6.5	268 15.7	112 2.71					
Faulk	957	9,410	23	23	149 15.6	1,647	1,950	4.72	799 20.8	Not avail.	18.4	89.5	9.4	109 11.4	223 23.3	108 3.39					
Grant	2,257	8,822	148	30	376 16.7	1,809	1,179	3.53	1,672 18.8	37	28.5	93.4	1.1	224 9.9	564 25.0	161 3.55					
Gregory	1,866	6,538	122	85	420 22.5	1,782	1,358	3.85	1,959 29.3	32	23.0	91.9	11.0	275 14.7	592 31.7	223 3.32					
Haakon	700	8,654	61	15	121 17.3	467	2,162	3.94	537 19.2	11	15.5	93.4	4.1	112 16.0	177 25.3	90 2.49					
Hamlin	1,382	7,247	76	26	172 12.4	1,547	1,442	3.42	878 17.3	18	27.4	95.1	8.1	107 7.7	294 21.3	84 2.75					
Hand	1,431	10,391	101	40	276 19.3	2,162	1,503	4.82	1,535 26.4	31	15.4	94.0	3.3	186 13.0	363 25.4	184 3.84					
Hanson	946	6,808	40	9	177 18.7	1,951	1,515	4.54	900 23.8	5	18.6	100.0	2.8	115 12.2	282 29.8	124 3.19					
Harding	444	7,759	30	13	91 20.5	1,163	1,783	4.20	448 25.0	6	8.5	100.0	6.6	71 16.0	128 28.8	57 3.51					
Hughes	2,835	10,813	208	72	194 6.8	2,204	1,544	4.27	1,096 9.6	45	11.9	96.9	14.4	127 4.5	312 11.0	168 2.73					
Hutchinson	2,731	7,225	151	78	679 24.9	1,662	1,303	3.51	2,812 27.7	46	25.9	92.1	3.2	443 16.2	885 32.4	295 3.17					
Hyde	619	6,708	29	10	157 25.4	1,430	1,938	4.24	784 31.8	13	14.5	94.7	Not avail.	126 20.4	199 32.1	100 3.04					
Jackson	424	8,134	36	20	65 15.3	1,134	1,878	3.97	317 20.7	19	24.3	72.5	30.8	55 13.0	100 23.6	40 3.30					
Jerauld	851	6,554	61	18	191 22.4	1,736	1,282	3.62	808 25.0	20	23.6	100.0	3.7	124 14.6	230 27.0	92 2.98					
Jones	445	8,044	10	11	63 14.2	1,416	1,852	3.62	321 17.9	5	29.9	83.8	7.9	50 11.2	87 19.6	30 3.57					
Kingsbury	2,079	7,702	128	60	281 13.5	1,678	1,322	3.69	1,270 16.7	29	28.5	96.1	7.1	188 9.0	435 20.9	147 3.18					
Lake	2,859	7,472	200	101	490 17.1	1,934	1,194	3.60	2,182 20.1	49	24.4	84.8	5.3	279 9.8	671 23.5	251 2.71					
Lawrence	4,276	8,617	368	128	415 9.7	1,869	1,454	3.62	2,532 15.1	107	21.6	68.0	11.1	268 6.3	677 15.8	246 2.87					
Lincoln	3,069	7,616	175	45	442 14.4	1,653	981	3.09	1,801 15.6	14	29.7	89.7	4.3	238 7.8	619 20.2	183 2.33					
Lyman	1,003	9,502	53	60	120 12.0	1,108	1,745	3.86	568 14.1	24	20.2	86.5	19.2	82 8.2	248 24.7	81 2.44					
McCook	1,847	6,761	111	50	455 24.6	1,795	1,505	4.23	2,119 29.8	34	16.8	92.4	4.4	304 16.5	618 33.5	288 3.26					
McPherson	1,338	6,569	64	22	294 22.0	1,964	1,084	3.56	1,224 24.7	18	26.9	83.1	4.4	176 13.2	435 32.5	128 3.10					
Marshall	1,480	6,904	101	79	292 19.7	2,059	1,037	3.84	1,309 22.4	32	15.9	85.0	4.8	143 9.7	475 32.1	169 2.94					
Meade	3,499	9,550	207	142	294 8.4	2,195	1,668	4.84	1,792 12.2	45	17.4	91.9	11.2	197 5.6	501 14.3	210 3.76					
Mellette	602	6,847	78	107	162 26.9	2,056	1,854	4.56	791 33.5	41	6.8	95.3	47.5	123 20.4	240 39.9	147 2.92					
Miner	1,164	6,676	61	46	208 17.9	1,566	1,641	3.99	989 22.6	24	23.1	90.3	6.3	144 12.4	311 26.7	133 2.94					
Minnehaha	23,152	10,109	2,005	759	1,909 8.2	1,896	1,281	3.42	9,739 10.6	665	26.1	85.3	16.8	1,142 4.9	2,850 12.3	1,171 2.62					
Moody	1,843	7,919	94	24	310 16.8	1,880	1,412	3.96	1,415 20.1	52	19.6	97.6	3.2	228 12.4	415 22.5	176 3.34					
Pennington	15,050	9,567	1,413	651	1,706 11.3	2,050	1,329	3.73	1,405 13.8	547	14.2	74.5	16.5	962 6.4	2,525 16.8	1,164 2.82					
Perkins	1,209	8,432	59	55	174 14.4	1,765	1,426	4.05	909 19.1	17	21.3	94.7	5.2	104 8.6	232 19.2	110 3.03					
Potter	1,083	9,709	88	21	175 16.2	2,028	1,314	4.20	902 20.7	32	22.0	95.6	2.9	91 8.4	258 23.8	100 3.87					
Roberts	2,895	6,702	269	236	576 19.9	2,411	1,424	4.70	3,130 27.3	125	14.5	82.6	23.1	364 12.6	893 30.8	426 3.52					
Sanborn	990	7,207	60	29	212 21.4	1,693	1,636	4.08	993 26.9	39	17.6	94.8	13.7	139 14.0	291 29.4	136 3.24					
Shannon	1,488	7,118	325	420	658 44.2	2,130	2,276	5.30	3,684 45.7	169	6.9	65.8	46.2	527 35.4	855 57.5	575 3.42					
Spink	2,476	7,792	178	62	320 12.9	1,699	1,438	4.26	1,652 17.6	40	18.9	90.7	5.9	166 6.7	490 19.8	225 3.01					
Stanley	602	8,938	43	20	72 30.3	2,123	3,262	3.77	303 31.7	9	21.3	6.0	14.0	32 6.1	91 15.1	30 3.33					
Sully	560	8,970	27	19	120 21.4	2,413	1,143	4.39	569 24.2	11	12.3	94.6	5.8	161 28.8	82 3.30	82 3.33					
Todd	1,297	7,217	240	343	529 40.8	2,489	1,879	5.39	2,982 45.8	133	5.8	71.3	42.2	355 27.4	640 49.3	456 3.64					
Tripp	2,004	9,662	123	65	309 15.4	1,600	1,557	3.83	1,452 18.0	58	17.0	90.8	4.9	206 10.3	393 19.6	198 2.86					
Turner	2,613	7,450	106	53	497 19.0	1,574	1,299	3.32	2,058 21.2	36	35.6	89.7	4.8	138 12.2	723 27.7	211 2.91					
Union	2,518	Not avail.	150	66	394 15.6	1,642	1,494	3.78	1,781 18.7	70	24.2	92.9	8.4	239 9.5	553 22.0	232 3.05					
Walworth	1,923	8,164	182	70	248 12.9	1,836	1,745	4.32	1,288 16.8	80	19.1	88.3	15.7	191 9.9	353 18.4	165 3.39					
Washabaugh	302	5,384	29	21	149 49.3	1,389	2,161	4.37	675 54.2	29	10.4	83.9	14.1	127 42.1	167 55.3	109 2.90					
Yankton	4,061	9,511	226	77	575 14.2	1,860	1,381	3.95	3,071 18.5	60	21.7	90.5	6.3	341 8.4	761 18.7	343 3.10					
Ziebach	534	7,997	34	97	223 41.8	2,317	2,117	5.59	1,288 47.7	18	7.7	90.3	37.2	178 33.3	260 48.7	200 3.59					





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